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PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES: Board of Examiners in Optometry

MEETING DATE AND TIME: Thursday September 29, 2016 at 4:30 p.m.

PLACE: 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware

Conference Room B, Cannon Building

MINUTES APPROVED: December 8, 2016

MEMBERS PRESENT

Dr. Jeffrey Hilovsky, Professional Member, President Dr. Bryan Sterling, Professional Member, Secretary Dr. Joseph Senall, Professional Member Evelyn Nestlerode, Public Member

Members Absent

Irvin Bowers, Public Member

DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENT

Jennifer Singh, Deputy Attorney General Lisa Smith, Administrative Specialist II David Mangler, Division Director

OTHERS PRESENT

Deborah Hamilton

CALL TO ORDER

Dr. Hilovsky called the meeting to order at 4:32 p.m.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

The Board reviewed the minutes of the August 25, 2016 meeting. Dr. Senall made a motion, seconded by Ms. Nestlerode to approve the minutes as presented. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

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NEW BUSINESS

Ratification of application by Reciprocity

Dr. Sterling made a motion, seconded by Dr. Senall to ratify the application by Reciprocity for Dr. Chinye Otojare. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Ratification of Continuing Education Course Request(s)

Dr. Hilovsky made a motion, seconded by Dr. Senall to approve the following continuing education course as presented:

Eye Care of Delaware- Oral Medicines in Eye Care (2Hours)

Review of Current Regulations in Lieu of Senate Bill 143

The members of the Board discussed the regulations and made several decisions on which changes should be made for added clarification of the new Optometry Laws. The Board members will make lists of any thoughts and comments concerning the Rules & Regulations for review at the December 8, 2016 Board meeting.

Review of Internship Application

The Board members reviewed the Internship application for Benjamin Azman. Dr. Senall moved, seconded by Ms. Nestlerode to propose to deny the application, as the Board determined that Dr. Azman listed a Maryland setting with a non-Delaware licensed optometrist as his supervisor. In addition, the scopes of practice and qualifications for licensure in Maryland are not equal to or greater than those of Delaware. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Review of Reciprocity Application

The members of the Board reviewed the application by Reciprocity for Dr. Amy Quan. Dr. Senall moved, seconded by Ms. Nestlerode to table the application to provide Dr. Quan with the opportunity to apply for an internship license, instead of reciprocity, as the Board determined that New York's statute, rules, and regulations are not substantially similar to Delaware. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Board Member Elections

Dr. Hilovsky made a motion, seconded by Dr. Senall to elect Ms. Nestlerode as Board President. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

2017 Board Meeting Dates

The Board members reviewed and approved the scheduled Optometry Board Meeting dates for 2017.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment at the September 29, 2016 Board Meeting.

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NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on December 8, 2016 at 4:30 p.m. in Conference Room B, 2nd floor, Cannon Building, 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Dr. Senall made a motion, seconded by Dr. Sterling to adjourn the meeting at 5:45 p.m. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Smith

Administrative Specialist II

The notes of this meeting are not intended to be a verbatim record of the topics that were presented or discussed. They are for the use of the Board members and the public in supplementing their personal